

Boston, April 7th, 1848.

My Dear Friend:

75- Last evening, a colored man called at my house, for the purpose of enlisting my sympathy and influence in his behalf, calling himself William Halyard, and seeking pecuniary aid to buy his mother, who is now (as represented) a slave in Maryland. He is a mulatto, about 25 or 30 years of age, middle height, and very good looking and well-dressed. He brought with him, as credentials, a printed letter, purporting to be from your pen, which your good cousin has copied verbatim on the third page of this sheet, and which Halyard coolly and repeatedly declared that you put into his hands, in the printed form. What I wish you would send me, by return of mail, (I will pay the postage - don't you,) a letter, which I can publish, denying the authenticity of the document, and giving such information as you can in regard to this impostor.

All our family have been quite unwell for some time, Helen and myself in particular; and our babe is now lying quite sick with a lung fever. How it may turn with her is problematical. I write in haste, or I would add more. Our best love to your dear wife, Charlotte, and all the family.

Faithfully yours,  
Wm. Lloyd Garrison.



London, 27th Dec 1847

My dear friend  
I have just received your letter of the 25th and am  
glad to hear that you are well and that you  
are still in the country. I have not had time  
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Copy. [From a printed paper.]

March 25<sup>th</sup>, 1848.

Dear Friends - I take my pen in hand to inform you that I am well at present, and I hope these few lines may find you enjoying the same good health. I now recommend our friend Wm. Halyard to you; he is a trying to raise money to buy his mother. From a letter he has from his mother's master, we find that they are all honest & true; therefore I hope you will take an interest in their cause. He has already received 125 dollars, and I have it in my hands. We have done all that we can do at present. Wm. Halyard has lived in our city off and on for four years, and his character is good and pure; he belongs to the Wesley Church in Syracuse. I hope you will do the best you can for him, and if he has a desire to go to Boston, I hope you will give him a letter to some of the friends there - you need not be afraid of him for he is a good man.

Rev. Samuel J. May, Syracuse, N.Y.

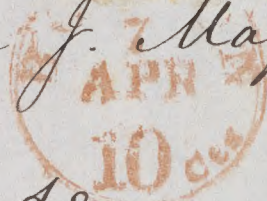
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Boston, Apr. 7<sup>th</sup> Don't do us the injustice to suppose that we believed the man when he said you gave him the above. He stuck to it that you did, but I told him he was only adding falsehood to falsehood. He is a fair, i.e. honest-looking man, but a great scamp nevertheless. He also had a forged letter from Julius Ames (meaning Julius R. Ames) of Albany.

Very truly Yours, Saml. May Jr.



Rev. Samuel J. May,  
Syracuse,  
N.Y.



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Wm Lloyd Garrison  
April 21  
1848